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FLIGHTS FOR USE IN HIGH-TEMPERATURE FOOD

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**SUCH BELTS** 

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### TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

### RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The included documents have been cited as prior art by Advanced Flexible Composites (AFC) against US Pat. No. 6,919,122 (the '122 patent) during litigation relating to the '122 patent. The '122 patent is the parent of the present application.

All of the documents are in English.

A request for reexamination has been granted for the '122 patent.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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